

Before the
Federal Communications Commission
Washington, D.C. 20554

In the Matter of)	
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Alpha Academy)	CC Docket No. 02-6
In the Schools and Libraries Program)	

REQUEST FOR WAIVER OF 471 APPLICATION AND ITEM 21 DEADLINE

Alpha Academy, BEN 16073477

FCCRN: 0012048468

470: 218960001292239

471: 161057780 (Category 1, TWC IA and Voice)

FRN 1699134534: Internet Access

FRN 1699134536: Voice

Alpha Academy, a high poverty charter in North Carolina (85% E-rate discount), respectfully requests a waiver of the 2016-17 Form 471 application and Item 21 deadline.

Alpha Academy has used a consultant in the past, but has been unsuccessful in obtaining discount for several years due to the incompetency of said consultant. In fact, the 2015 C2 was so problematic that state coordinator Jeannene Hurley was able to help us fix the application during appeal and our vendor for C2 has been able to invoice for their portion of our WiFi project.

This year has been incredibly difficult for our organization, as both of the school administrators have had health issues in their immediate family. The day after the window closed, our state coordinator again contacted us about our filing and was able to drive down to Fayetteville to help us file on Friday afternoon, May 27, 2016.

This application contains the all important Internet Access from Time Warner (SPIN 143048275) for our children and educators and we simply need the discount to continue our work of educating our high risk students. As soon as our contract ends, we will be joining the NCREN community and allow the NCDPI to file the IA on our behalf.

We are filing this waiver request today because we are unsure of when we will receive an actual OOW – Out Of Window Letter. We understand that all documents for 2016 and forward will be in the portal, but we don't know when we will receive the OOW.

Thank you so very much for your support in granting this request for waiver of the filing deadline of May 26, 2016, and we look forward to another year of discount on our Internet Access and voice services.

Respectfully submitted this 30th day of May, 2016.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Susan Slocum', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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